Group of Ministers to review cluster development projects

1642. SHRJ GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

whether a Group of Ministers formed to review the existing Cluster Development Programme of different Ministeries;

whether Government extended financial assistance to the tune of Rs. 61 crores for development of 156 clusters under Micro and Small Enterprises Cluster Development Programmes;

whether diagnostic study of 172 clusters undertaken the problems of these cluster and address them;

whether Government provided 90 per cent financial assistance as a soft intervention for enhancing productivity of cluster;

whether the Group of Ministers submitted the report; and

by what time final decision would be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHR1 MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir.

No, Sir.

Does not arise.

Employment to youths under PMRY

t!643. MISSANUSUIYA UIKEY: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALLAND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

the details and the number of yours targeted for providing self employment under Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Yojana during the last three years; State-wise;

whether the target specified for providing employment to employed youths has been achieved by the banks; and

whether action has been taken against the banks which have failed to achieve their target and if not, whether Government would consider the matter?

THE MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI MAHAVIR PRASAD): (a) The State/Union Territory wise details of un-employed youths targeted for providing self-employment under Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Yojana (PMRY) during the last three years are given in the Statement *(See* below).

(b) and (c) There was Plan target for setting up of 2,50,000 Self-Employment Ventures under PMRY during 2004-05,2,50,000 Self-Employment Ventures during 2005-06 and 2,55,000 Self Employment Ventures during 2006-07. In these three years 2,48,264,2,73,066 and 2,63,539 Self Employment Ventures were set up respectively, which shows that during 2004-05 the achievement (99.3%) nearly touched the Plan target and in the next two years it exceeded the Plan target. However, the progress of the scheme is constantly reviewed in the Ministry and instructions are issued to RBI/Implementing Banks for achieving the target, under PMRY.

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